persons. Wide-ranging consultations have been held for preparing this draft. The new draft policy is not yet finalized.

Implementation of new employment generation scheme

3784. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry is implementing or is likely to implement new employment generation schemes, other than the existing schemes, particularly for rural educated unemployed youth; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, mentioning by when this implementation would be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) Presently two wage employment schemes, *viz.* National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (NREGS) and Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) and one self-employment scheme *viz.* Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) are being implemented for the benefit of the rural people. There is no proposal to implement any additional employment scheme particularly for the rural educated unemployed youth.

(b) Does not arise.

Enhancing implementation procedure in NREG Act

3785. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA) is not successfully launched in most of the villages in various States;

(b) if so, the reasons for not implementing the scheme successfully; and

(c) whether Government are planning to further enhance the implementation procedure of this Scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir. State level communication campaign to enhance awareness about the programme have been taken. Print, audio visual media and cultural fora have been used for publicizing the programme. Implementation of NREGA is done on a regular basis by the Government. State and district level Monitoring and Vigilance Committees have been set up. States have been asked to set up Village level vigilance and monitoring committees for local monitoring. National level Monitors and Area Officers of the Ministry visit various districts to oversee the progress of the Act. Comprehensive MIS has been developed that places all vital data in public domain. Capacity building measures for social audit has also been undertaken. The Ministry is regularly monitoring not only the physical parameters but qualitative indicators as well.

Pending projects in Tamil Nadu under PMGSY

3786. SHRI N.R. GOVINDARAJAR: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of rural connectivity projects pending in Tamil Nadu under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana, proposed in the last financial year;

(b) the funds earmarked for the year 2006-07; and

(c) what are the details of monitoring system followed by Government to supervise proper implementation of the programme?